# Welcome to the Accommodations Q&A Session for Spring 2018 Testing

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# **Topics**

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- Requesting ACT-approved accommodations and English Learner (EL) supports in TAA
- 2. Decision Notification
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- 4. Searching by status and completing an advanced search
- 5. Common Missteps
- 6. Late Consideration
- 7. Ordering Practice Materials
- 8. TAA PIN Report

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# 1. Requesting ACT-Approved Accommodations and English Learner Supports: Resources

 The Test Accessibility and Accommodations (TAA) Login Screen: https://readiness.act.org/ccr/app/home

#### TAA User Guide:

www.act.org/content/dam/act/unsecured/documents/user-guide-test-accessibility-and-accommodations-2016-08-16.pdf

#### Training videos:

http://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act-educator/accommodations.html

Consent to Release Information to ACT

http://www.act.org/content/dam/act/unsecured/documents/TAA%20Consent%20to%20Release%20Information%20to%20ACT.pdf



# 1. Requesting ACT-Approved Accommodations and English Learner Supports: Resources

- ACT Approved Accommodations Policy for Documentation: http://www.act.org/content/dam/act/unsecured/documents/6368%20ACT%20Policy%20for%20Documentation-Web.pdf
- ACT Policy for Supporting English Learners:
   http://www.act.org/content/dam/act/secured/documents/act-policy-for-supporting-english-learners.pdf
- Success for You and Your Students: http://www.act.org/content/dam/act/unsecured/documents/SuccessforYouandYourStudentsACTTestAccoms.pdf
- Accommodations vs. Arrangements: http://www.act.org/content/dam/act/unsecured/documents/AccomsvsArrangements-SandD.pdf



1. Submitting Requests in TAA: TAA URL

https://readiness.act.org/ccr/app/home



#### 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Log In Screen

We are currently transitioning our systems to an updated sign in experience.

Let us know below what you are trying to do and we will point you in the right direction

Order Materials

Request Test Accommodations and English Learner Supports

Go to TAA

IMPORTANT NOTE: If you are a Supplier in ACT's Supplier Registration and Payment System (SRPS), please use the same email address to create an account in the Test Accessibility and Accommodations System (TAA). If you need assistance accessing your account, please contact ACT Customer Support at 877-789-2925.



## 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Log In Screen

# Sign In Sign in to Test Accessibility and Accommodations (TAA) or ACT Enroll If you are looking for access to another type of account click here. Email or Username Password Show Password Forgot password? Sign In Don't have an account? Create Account

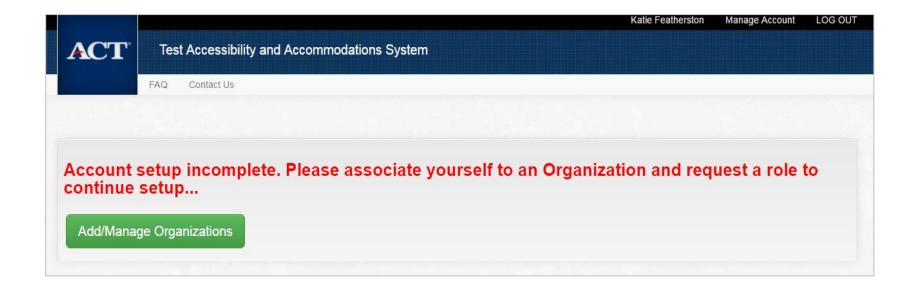


## 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Deadline

All requests must be submitted by January 12, 2018

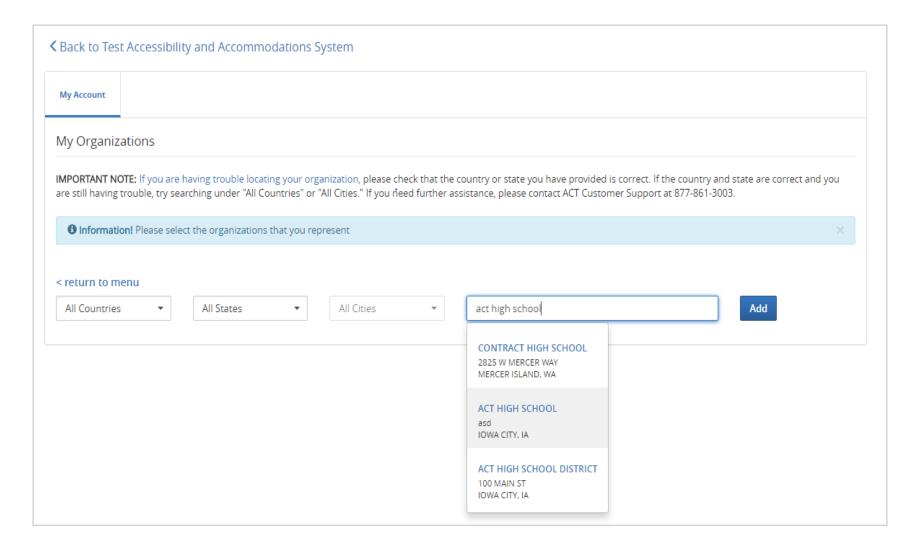


## 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Add Your Organization





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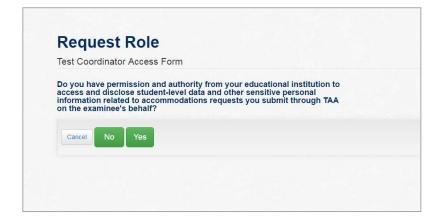
# HIGHLAND PARK HIGH SCHOOL, HIGHLAND PARK, IL Select the appropriate role below to gain access to the Test Accessibility and Accommodations System. Once approved, both test coordinators and test accommodations coordinators can request accommodations on behalf of examinees at your school. Test Coordinator: Each school must have one test coordinator. The test coordinator's access is approved by ACT. Once the test coordinator has access, he/she can grant access to test accommodations coordinators. Test Accommodations Coordinator: Do NOT request this access unless your school has a test coordinator with access to the Test Accessibility and Accommodations System. If your school has a test coordinator, request that he/she approves your test accommodations coordinator access. ACT does not approve access requests for test accommodations coordinators. Request Test Coordinator Role Request Test Accommodations Coordinator Role



#### 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Request TAA Access

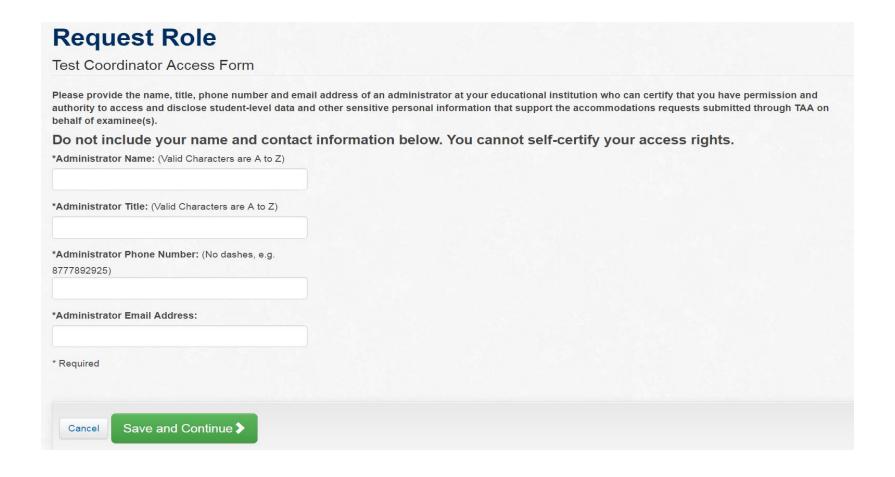






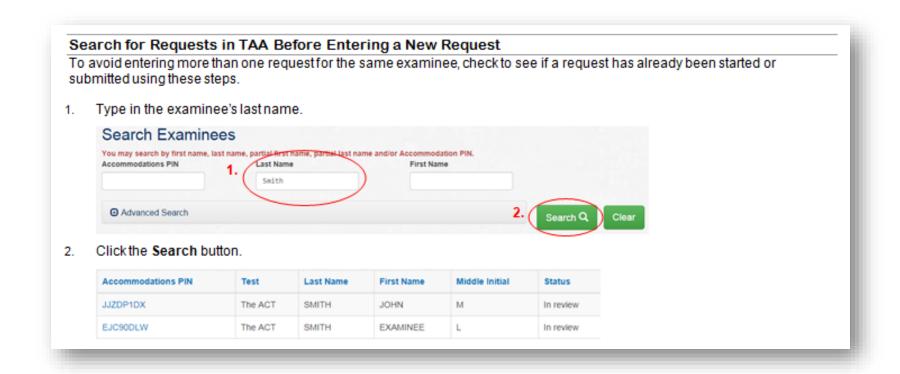


#### 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Request TAA Access





# 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Search for Requests Before Entering a New Request



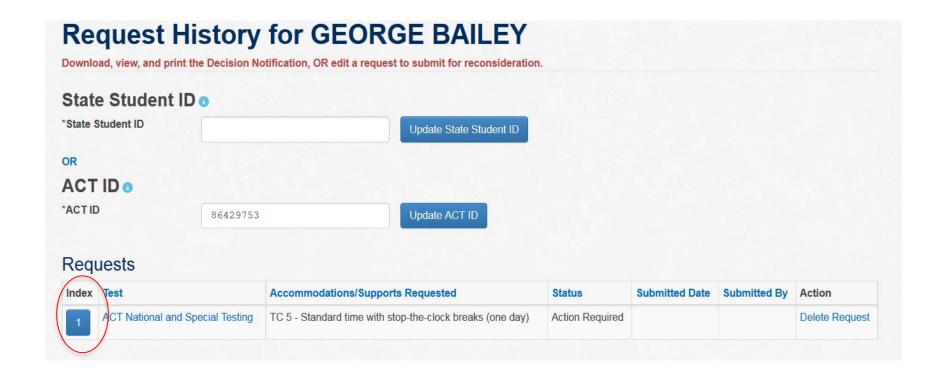


# 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Submitting an Action Required Request





# 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Submitting an Action Required Request





# 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Using the Blue Icon and Previous Button

Note: Wherever you see an (i) icon, you may hover over it for more information.



Note: Please use the Previous button when navigating in TAA, if needed. Do not use your browser's back button.



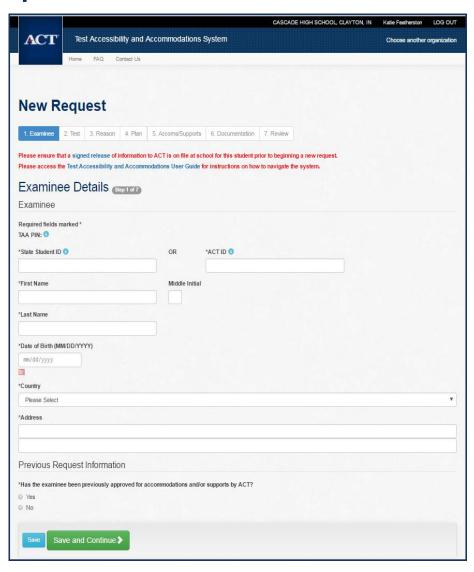


## 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Examinee Details





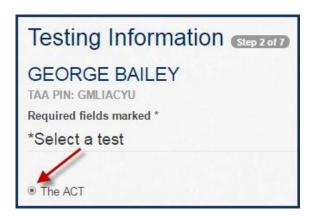
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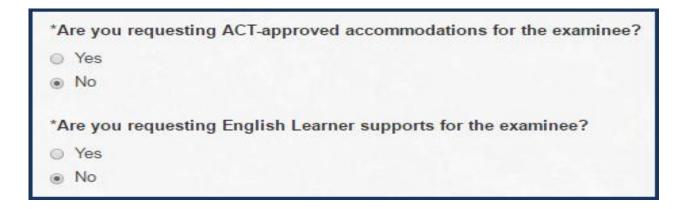
## 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Testing Information







## 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Reason for Request





#### 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Reason for Request

Click the radio button next to all diagnosed disabilities that apply, and/or type in a specific diagnosis in the window provided for other disability.

#### Diagnosed Disabilities (Step 3 of 7)

- Cognitive/Intellectual Disability
  - Intellectual Impairment (FSIQ=<85)-DSM 319.00</li>
  - Traumatic Brain Injury
  - Post-Concussive Syndrome
- Learning Disability
  - Reading Disorder/Dyslexia DSM 315.00
  - Math Disorder DSM 315.1
  - Disorder of Written Expression DSM 315.2
  - Speech/Language Disorder DSM 315.39
- Motor Disability
  - Cerebral Palsy
  - Muscular Dystrophy
  - Quadriplegia/Paralysis of Upper Extremities
- Psychological Disability
  - Attention Deficit Disorder (ADHD) DSM 314.00
  - o Autism Spectrum Disorder DSM 299.00
  - Anxiety Disorder
  - Depression
  - Emotional/Behavioral Disorder (school team)
  - PDD, Asperger's DSM 299.80
  - Tourette's/Tic Disorder
- Sensory Disability
  - Blind/Legally Blind (in both eyes)
  - Deat
  - Hearing Impairment
  - Visual Impairment
- Physical/Medical Disability
  - Diabetes
  - Migraines
  - Epilepsy/Seizures



 If the examinee's diagnosed condition(s) does not appear on the above list, type in a specific diagnosis in the other disability window.

#### Other Disability

If the examinee's diagnosed condition(s) does not appear on the above list, please enter a specific diagnosis on the lines below. Note: If the diagnosed condition appears on the above list, please do not also write it below, as this will delay processing.

- For example, if the examinee is confined to his or her home, or a medical facility, enter this under other disability.
- Click the Save and Continue button.

Save and Continue



## 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Reason for Request





## 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Plan Details

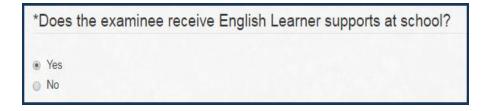


*What kind of accommodation plan does the examinee have?
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© 504 <b>1</b>
Official Accommodations Plan
Exceptions Statement



## 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Plan Details







# 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Requested Accommodations and Supports

8. Click the radio button(s) to request specific accommodations, or type in a request.

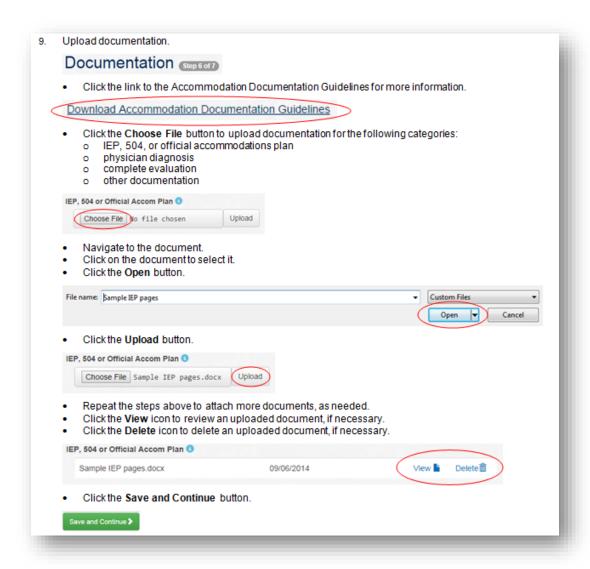
#### Requested Accommodations (Step Set 2)

- Click all Setting & Location Accommodations that apply.
  - preferential seating school provides
  - standing, walking or pacing
  - o administration from home or care facility
  - background music/noise buffers (auditory calming)
  - o individual test administration (room to self)
  - special lighting
  - adaptive/special furniture
  - modified acoustics (FM system)
  - food/drink/medication in the test room
  - wheelchair access
- Click all Response & Navigation Accommodations that apply.
  - o scribe
  - speech to text
  - SMA (student marks answers in booklet)
  - keyboard navigation
- Click one of the Presentation & Formats, if it applies.
  - reader (human)
  - pre-recorded audio
  - computer (essay or short answer for paper testing only)
  - Braille/raised line drawings
  - large type test booklet and answer sheet
  - American Sign Language for instructions only
  - Exact English Sign Language for test items
- Click on the radio button next to one of the Timing Accommodations.
  - TC 1 standard time (one session, one day)
  - TC 2 double time (over multiple days)
  - TC 3 triple time (over multiple days)
  - TC 5 stop the clock breaks (one day), or
  - TC 5 standard Time (over multiple days)
  - o TC 6 time-and-one-half, self-paced (one session, one day)
  - TC 7 time-and-one-half (over multiple days)
  - TC 8 extended time on essay/constructed response only
- Type in specific accommodations in the other accommodations window if the examinee's accommodation(s) does not
  appear on the above list.
- Click the Save and Continue button.

Save and Continue >



#### 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Uploading Documentation





# 1. Submitting Requests in TAA: Reviewing and Submitting the Request

 Review the request, acknowledge that the information provided is accurate and you have a signed release of information on file at school, and print a copy of the request.



Note: Please use the **Previous** button when navigating in TAA, if needed. Do not use your browser's back button.



- Review the examinee details.
- Review the testing information.
- Review the diagnosed disabilities.
  - Click on the Edit Diagnosed Disabilities button to make edits, if needed.
  - Click the Save and Continue button to get back to the Review screen.
- Review the plan details.
  - Click on the Edit Plan Details button to make edits, if needed.
  - Click the Save and Continue button to get back to the Review screen.
- Review the requested accommodations.
  - Click on the Edit Requested Accommodations button to make edits, if needed.
  - Click the Save and Continue button to get back to the Review screen.
- Review the required documentation.
  - Click on the Edit Required Documentation button to delete the documentation that is uploaded and upload new documentation, if needed
  - Click the Save and Continue button to get back to the Review screen
- Click on the Print button at the top of the page to print the request.
- Scroll down and click the check box to acknowledge that all information is accurate to the best of your knowledge.
- Click on the signed release link.
- Print the release.
- Get a parent, or the examinee if 18 or older, to sign the release, or a school official may sign the release with parent consent. Keep the signed release on file at school.
- Close the Consent to Release Information to ACT form by clicking on the "x" to close the file.
- Click the Submit button to complete the request. You will see an on screen confirmation.

#### Confirmation

Your request has been successfully submitted.

Click the Print button to print the Confirmation page.



#### 2. Decision Notification



#### Dear DIANE PEDEN,

You are receiving this email because the request for ACT-Approved Accommodations on the ACT® college readiness assessment for ROCCO DOG was successfully submitted.

#### Accommodations Decision Notification

Within 15 business days, you will receive an email with instructions for viewing an Accommodations Decision Notification for this request. The notification will list accommodations approved and/or not approved as applicable. If requested accommodations were not approved, as indicated on the notification, you may submit additional documentation for reconsideration by ACT.

#### Contacting Us

If you have questions, you may:

- Call us at 800.553.6244, ext. 1788, or
- Email us at ACTStateAccoms@act.org

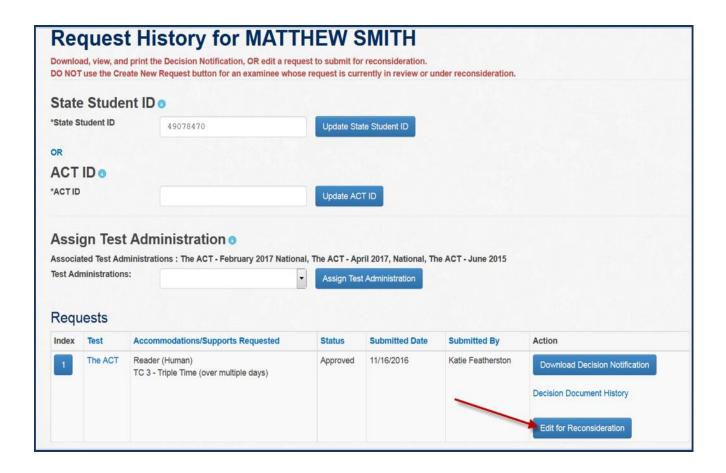
Thank you,

ACT Test Accommodations

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#### 3. Requesting Reconsideration





#### 4. Searching by Status of Requests

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TAA PIN	State Student ID	ACTID	Test	Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial	Status	Submitted Date	Submitted By

#### Statuses of Requests

All saved requests are stored in TAA. On the Home page of TAA, the Status possibilities are:

- Action Required: These requests have not yet been submitted.
   Note: ACT cannot access or review a request while it is in Action Required Status.
- In Review: These requests have been submitted and are under ACT review.
- Partially Approved: These requests have been reviewed, but only part of what was requested, is approved.
- Approved: These requests have been reviewed, and all of what was requested, is fully approved.
- Not Approved: These requests have been reviewed, but none of what was requested could be approved.
- Reconsider: These requests have been submitted for reconsideration and are under ACT review.

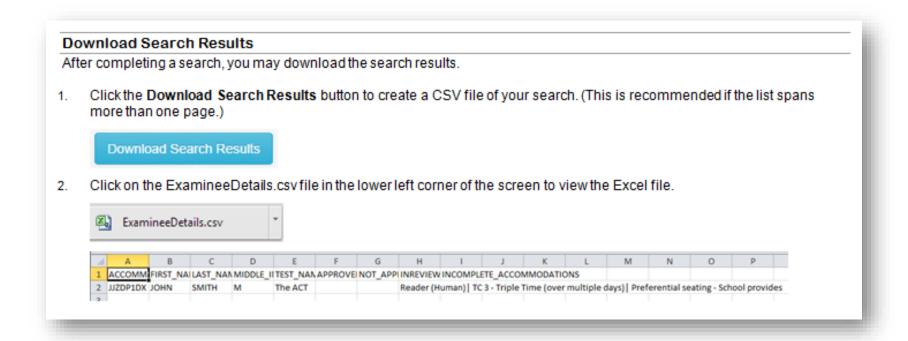


#### 4. Completing an Advanced Search

#### Conducting an Advanced Search in TAA You may conduct an advanced search for all requests submitted between specific dates using these steps. Click on the Advanced Search link. Advanced Search Using the dropdown menu under Test, select the ACT. Using the dropdown menu under Test Date, select your test date. Type in the month, date, and year in the Submitted Date From field. Type in the month, date, and year in the Submitted Date To field. Advanced Search Test Test Date 4. Submitted Date From Submitted Date To mm/dd/yyyy mm/dd/yyyy MM/DD/YYYY MM/DD/YYYY Click the Search button. Click the Clear button to start a new advanced search. Refer to the Download Search Results below for instructions to save this information in an Excel file.



## 4. Completing an Advanced Search: Download Search Results





#### 5. Common Missteps

- 1.Request will violate constructs being tested (e.g. translated test questions)
- 2. Missed deadline for requesting approval
- 3. Documentation does not support
  - Requested accommodation is not included on the plan
  - Requested accommodation not supported by diagnosis/categorization (e.g. OHI/ADHD – Human Reader)
- Incompatible accommodations requested (e.g. Small group and Stop the clock breaks)



#### 6. Late Consideration

- Complete the Late Consideration Form
- Criteria:
  - Newly Enrolled or Classified
  - Newly Identified Disability or EL status
  - Medical Emergency
- Submit request in TAA
  - Upload the completed late consideration form under Other Documentation



#### 7. Ordering Practice Materials

—Alternate format practice materials: <a href="http://www.act.org/content/dam/act/unsecured/documents/Alt-Format-Practice-Tests-Order.pdf">http://www.act.org/content/dam/act/unsecured/documents/Alt-Format-Practice-Tests-Order.pdf</a>



Institution Name (If applicable; If not, check ber below.)

I am ordering as an individual (e.g. parent), not for a school.

#### Order Form for Alternate Format Practice Tests

Use this form to place an order for the ACT® college readiness assessment format(s) that match the format(s) you will request for your students for the actual administration. The items you order are **free**. These alternate formats may be checked out by students or used to simulate a practice session in school. Keep them at your school until they are no longer in usable condition.

With each format ordered, you will receive a copy of *Preparing for the ACT Special Testing*. This booklet includes the scoring keys and a large type (18-pt.) Writing Test, which you may read verbatim to students. Students who will test with a regular type test booklet should download *Preparing for the ACT*, which also includes a Writing Test, from **www.actstudent.org**.

Please complete the form accurately and legibly to avoid delays in receiving your materials.

Please indicate which item you are ordering by marking the item box.

If you select an item without specifying the quantity, you will receive only one copy of that format.

Item Ouantity

DVDs—includes a regular type booklet and DVD Usage Guidelines (0111651PKT)

Braille (including Raised Line Drawings)—includes a regular type booklet (01117711KT)

Braille Writing Booklet—for Braille users taking the ACT Plus Writing (01117709W)

Raised Line Drawings (for use only by students requiring oral presentation) (01117311KT)

IF YOU CHOSE BRAILLE, DO NOT MARK THIS BOX.

Large Type Booklet—includes a large type worksheet (01117511KT)

Ship to: Please print or type. All fields are required unless stated otherwise.

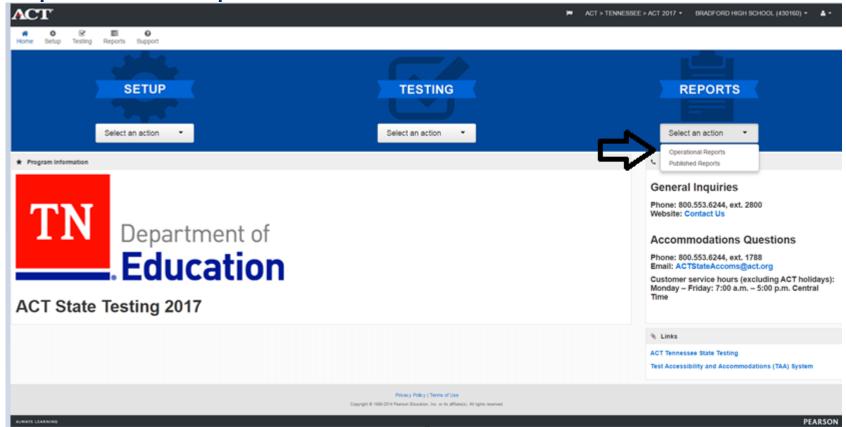
Pax your order to:

ACT 319.337.1221



#### 8. TAA PIN Report

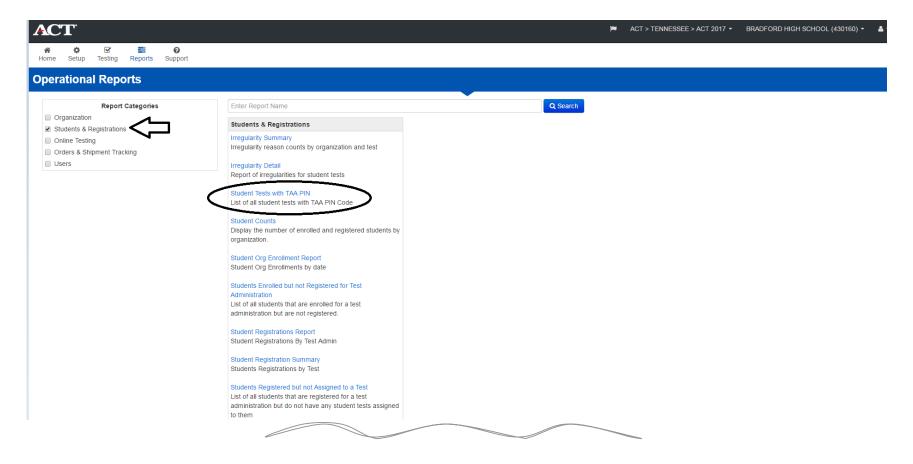
In PANext, under reports, click on select an action, then click on operational reports.





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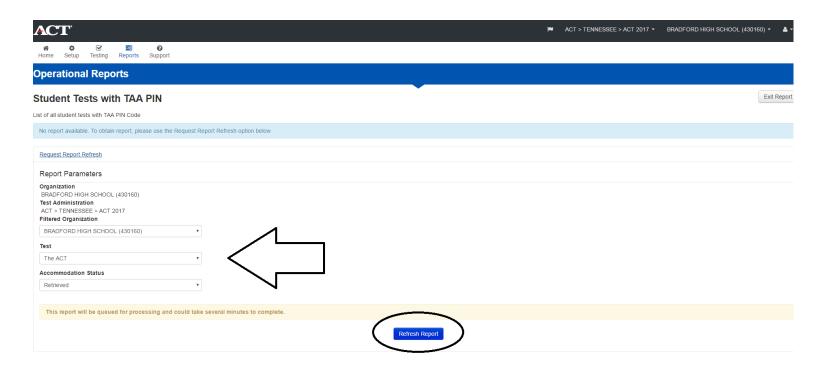
On the left hand side below report categories, checkmark student & registration.
Then click on Student Tests with TAA PIN





#### 8. TAA PIN Report

➤ The filtered organization is already determined (selected on the top right hand corner). On the drop down menu for test select The ACT. Under the accommodation status select retrieved then refresh report and download the report.





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